Seconded by Mr. Rangaswami Aiyangar.

Carried.

Mr. Subba Aiyar then moved that the Bill be committed to a Select Committee consi- of the Mover and Messrs. Vieyra, Richardson, Rangaswami Aiyangar and Velu Pillai, to r within two months.

Seconded by Mr. Vieyra.

Carried.

THE CHRISTIAN SUCCESSION BILL.

Mr. Subba Aiyar presented the report of the Select Committee on the Christian Succession Bill, and moved that the report and the Bill be taken up for consideration.

The President observed that petitions had been received for the postponement of the consideration of the Bill and suggested that the discussion of the Bill be therefore adjourned.

The Council adopted the President's suggestion.

THE COMPANIES BILL.

Mr. Subba Aiyar then presented the report of the Select Committee on the Companies Bill, and moved that the report and the Bill be taken up for consideration at once.

Seconded by Mr. Rangaswami Aiyangar.

Carried.

The consideration of the Companies Bill was accordingly taken up and continued till 5 P. M., when the Council adjourned.

The Council met again at 12 noon on the following day. All the Members who attended on the previous day were present except Mr. Parameswaran Pillai. The Council resumed the consideration of the Companies Bill.

Section 75, Sub-section (3), Clause (d).

Mr. Subrahmanya Aiyar moved that the words "(if any)" be substituted between the words "Secretary" and the words "of the Company" in line 2 of the above Clause, as the Bill did not provide for the compulsory appointment of a Secretary by any company.

Seconded by Mr. Subba Aiyar.

Carried.

Section 97, sub-section (2).

Mr. Subrahmanya Aiyar moved that the word "or" be substituted for the word "and" occurring in line 4 of the above sub-section, in order to make the meaning clear.

Seconded by Mr. Subba Aiyar.

Carried.

Section 126.

Mr. Subrahmanya Aiyar moved that the words "on conviction" occurring in line 4 of Clause (*b*) of sub-section (1), line 5 of sub-section (2), and line 5 of sub-section (3) be deleted, so as to make the penal provisions in that Section conform to the other penal provisions in the Bill.

Seconded by Mr. Subba Aiyar.

Carried.

Section 279.

Mr. Sesha Aiyar pointed out that Section 279, sub-section (1), provided for the trial of offences under the proposed Regulation by a Magistrate not inferior to a Magistrate of the First Class, but that it was nowhere provided in the Bill whether any appeal would lie from the convictions of such a Magistrate. The Member suggested that, if it was intended that appeals should lie in the ordinary way, it would be better to make the matter clear by an express provision in the Bill itself.

Mr. Subba Aiyar said that appeals would certainly lie from the convictions of Magistrates under the proposed law just as in the case of convictions of such Magistrates under any other law, and that the provisions of the Criminal Procedure Code were clear on the subject.

After some discussion on the point, the Council resolved that there was no objection to a separate provision being added to Section 279, providing for appeals from the convictions of First Class Magistrates under the penal Clauses of the Bill.

Mr. Subba Aiyar thereupon moved that the following Clause might be added as sub-section (3) of Section 279.

"An appeal from any conviction of a Magistrate under this Regulation shall lie to the Court to which appeals from convictions by such Magistrate ordinarily lie".

Seconded by Mr. Sesha Aiyar.

Carried.

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First Schedule, Table A, Regulation 77.

Mr. Sesha Aiyar said that Clause (*f*) of the above Regulation, which provided that the office of the director of a company should be vacated if such director was punished with imprisonment for a term exceeding six months, was rather arbitrary and inequitable, in as much as a director committing *theft* would not be liable to vacate his office if he was punished for such offence with imprisonment for a time of six months or less, while the same officer would be so liable if he was punished for *defamation* with imprisonment for a period exceeding six months. Mr. Sesha Aiyar therefore moved that the following be substituted for Clause (*f*) of the above Regulation 77:—

"(*f*) is convicted of an offence involving moral turpitude."

Seconded by Mr. Subba Aiyar.

Carried.

The consideration of the Bill being over, Mr. Subba Aiyar moved that the Bill, as amended by the Council, be read again on a future day of which notice should be given.

Seconded by Mr. Rangaswami Aiyangar.

Carried

THE PATENTS AND DESIGNS BILL.

Mr. Subba Aiyar moved that, before the Patents and Designs Bill was finally read and passed, the words "or with foreign Princes or States", occurring at the end of sub-section (3) of Section 23, be deleted.

Seconded by Mr. Mahadeva Aiyar.

Carried.

Mr. Subba Aiyar further moved that the words "Chingom 1091" be added at the end of sub-section (3) of Section 1, as the date from which the proposed Regulation should come into force.

Seconded by Mr. Rangaswami Aiyengar.

Carried.

Mr. Subba Aiyar then moved that the Bill, as thus amended, be finally read and passed.

Seconded by Mr. Vieyra.

Carried.

THE INSOLVENCY BILL.

In proposing that the Insolvency Bill be finally read by the Council, Mr. Subba Aiyar moved that the words "Chingom 1091" be added at the end of sub-section (3) of Section 1, to provide for the time from which the proposed law should take effect.

Seconded by Mr. Vieyra.

Carried.

Mr. Subba Aiyar then moved that the Bill be finally read and passed.

Seconded by Mr. Parameswara Menon.

Carried.

THE SUCCESSION CERTIFICATE BILL.

Mr. Subba Aiyar moved that the words "Chingom 1091" be added at the end of sub-section (2) of Section 1 of the Succession Certificate Bill, and that the Bill be thus finally read and passed.

Seconded by Mr. Velu Pillai..

Carried.

THE IRRIGATION REGULATION AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. Subba Aiyar moved that the Irrigation Regulation Amendment Bill be finally read and passed.

Seconded by Mr. Kuriyan.

Carried.

THE CATTLE TRESPASS REGULATION AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. Subba Aiyar then moved that the Cattle Trespass Regulation Amendment Bill be finally read and passed.

Seconded by Mr. Raman Pillai.

Carried.

The Council adjourned at 4-45 P. M.

M. KRISHNAN NAIR,
President.

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